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Eiji INOUE

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REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In the Notice of Allowance issued on May 20, 2005, there is no acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 13, 2004. Attached please find a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement, a copy of the PTO/SB/08 A & B form, and a copy of the date-stamped receipt. Applicant respectfully requests that these documents be considered by the Examiner and that the IDS be formally acknowledged by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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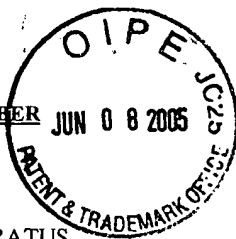
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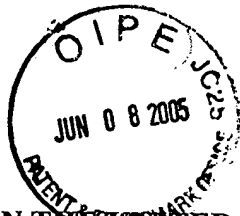
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents, other than any U.S. patents and patent publications, is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date; (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations: **An English language abstract, submitted herewith, constitutes a concise statement of relevance for Japanese Patent Publication No. 10-103461.**

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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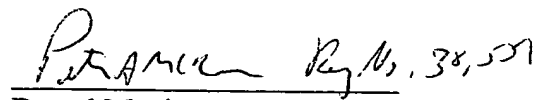
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